

On September 13, 1993, the Kill Devil Hills Board of Commissioners adopted policies and implementation strategies as a part of the 1993 Town of Kill Devil Hills Land Use Plan (1993 Plan). The land use issues, for which these policies and implementation strategies apply, were grouped generally into four major categories with specific issues identified for closer analysis. The five major issue categories are:

- ! Resource Protection;
- ! Resource Management;
- ! Economic and Community Development;
- ! Public Participation; and,
- ! Natural Hazards Planning.

Each specific issues section included "Policies Considered," "Discussion," "Policy Selected," and "Implementation Strategy." The Town Planning Board reviewed these policies and analyzed the Town's implementation efforts as of 1997. The findings, as summarized in the respective issue areas= BACKGROUND discussion, provide the foundation upon which policies driving 1997 Town of Kill Devil Hills Land Use Plan Update are developed.

c. Comparison of 1993 Land Use Policies to Policies of Adjoining Townships

During the policy discussion process, the Town compared its land use policies to those of Kitty Hawk, Nags Head, and Dare County as found in their land use plans of record. Generally, the three localities adopted land use policies that were consistent with each other except for support of a community-wide sewer system and with respect to building heights. Kill Devil Hills, unlike Kitty Hawk and Nags Head, supports a community-wide sewer system. Also, Kill Devil Hills allows building heights of up to 50' in commercial zoning districts.

The Town's Director of Planning and Development met with other area planning professionals at quarterly, area-wide planning luncheons to discuss land use planning and routinely discusses land use